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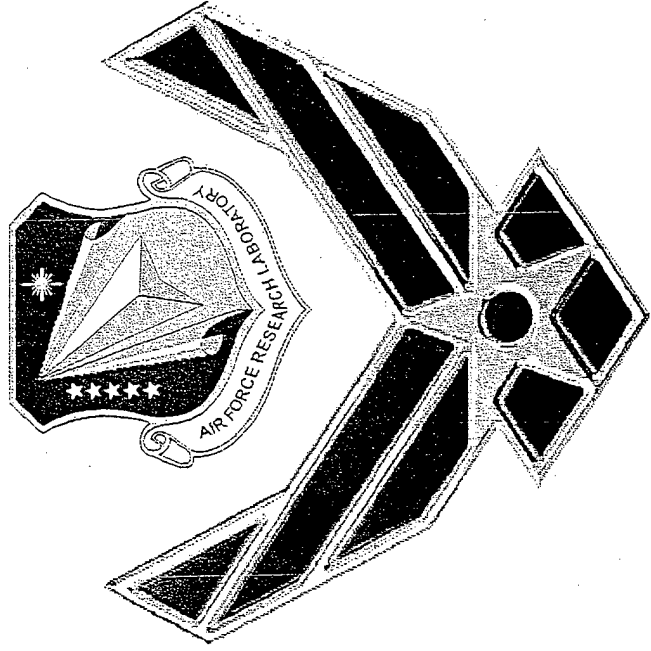
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# Estimating the Equivalent Initial Crack Size in a Particulate Composite Material under a Multi- Axial Loading Condition



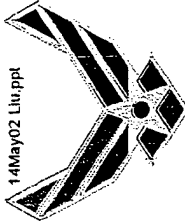
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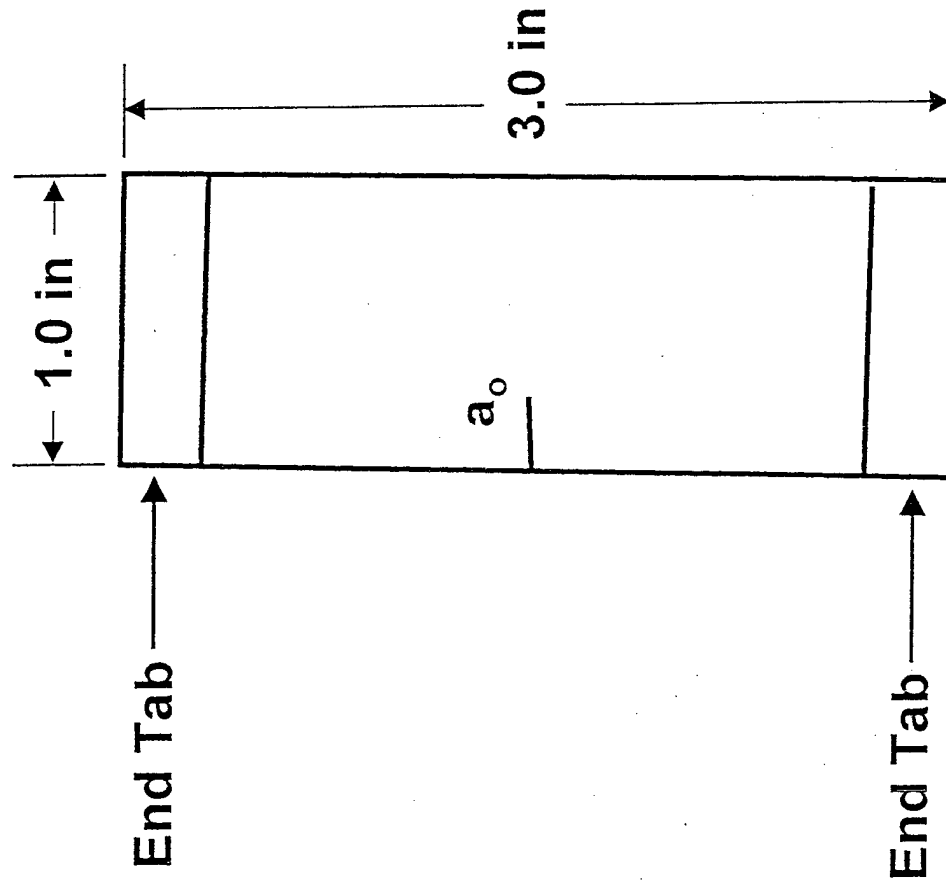
# Objectives



- Investigate the Effect of Confined Pressure on the Equivalent Initial Crack Size in a Particulate Composite Material under a Constant Strain Rate of 18.18 in/in/min.
  - Confined Pressures: Ambient and 1000 psi
- Determine the Statistical Distribution Function of the Equivalent Initial Crack Size.
  - Normal Distribution
  - Two-Parameter Lognormal Distribution
  - Two-Parameter Weibull Distribution
  - Second Asymptotic Distribution of the Maximum Value



# Specimen Geometry

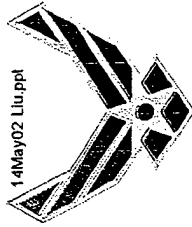




# Summary of Crack Lengths (Ambient Pressure)



Specimen	$a_c$	$t_c(\text{sec})$	$a^*$	$t^*(\text{sec})$	$a_0$
Specimen 2	0.15425	1.52410	0.14396	0.92817	0.14258
Specimen 3	0.15543	1.56840	0.14530	0.97216	0.14386
Specimen 4	0.15993	1.62110	0.15018	1.04930	0.14888
Specimen 5	0.15268	1.47570	0.14237	0.88766	0.14114
Specimen 6	0.15476	1.45990	0.14506	0.89909	0.14379
Specimen 7	0.15505	1.46360	0.14471	0.87206	0.14348
Specimen 8	0.16073	1.50860	0.15029	0.89749	0.14883
Specimen 9	0.16006	1.49300	0.14973	0.88745	0.14826
Specimen 10	0.15765	1.50720	0.14717	0.89387	0.14575
Specimen 11	0.15902	1.52830	0.14858	0.91423	0.14711
Specimen 12	0.16086	1.49390	0.15115	0.92008	0.14976
Specimen 13	0.15963	1.47920	0.14965	0.89482	0.14819

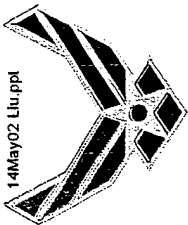


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# Summary of Crack Lengths (1000 psi Pressure)

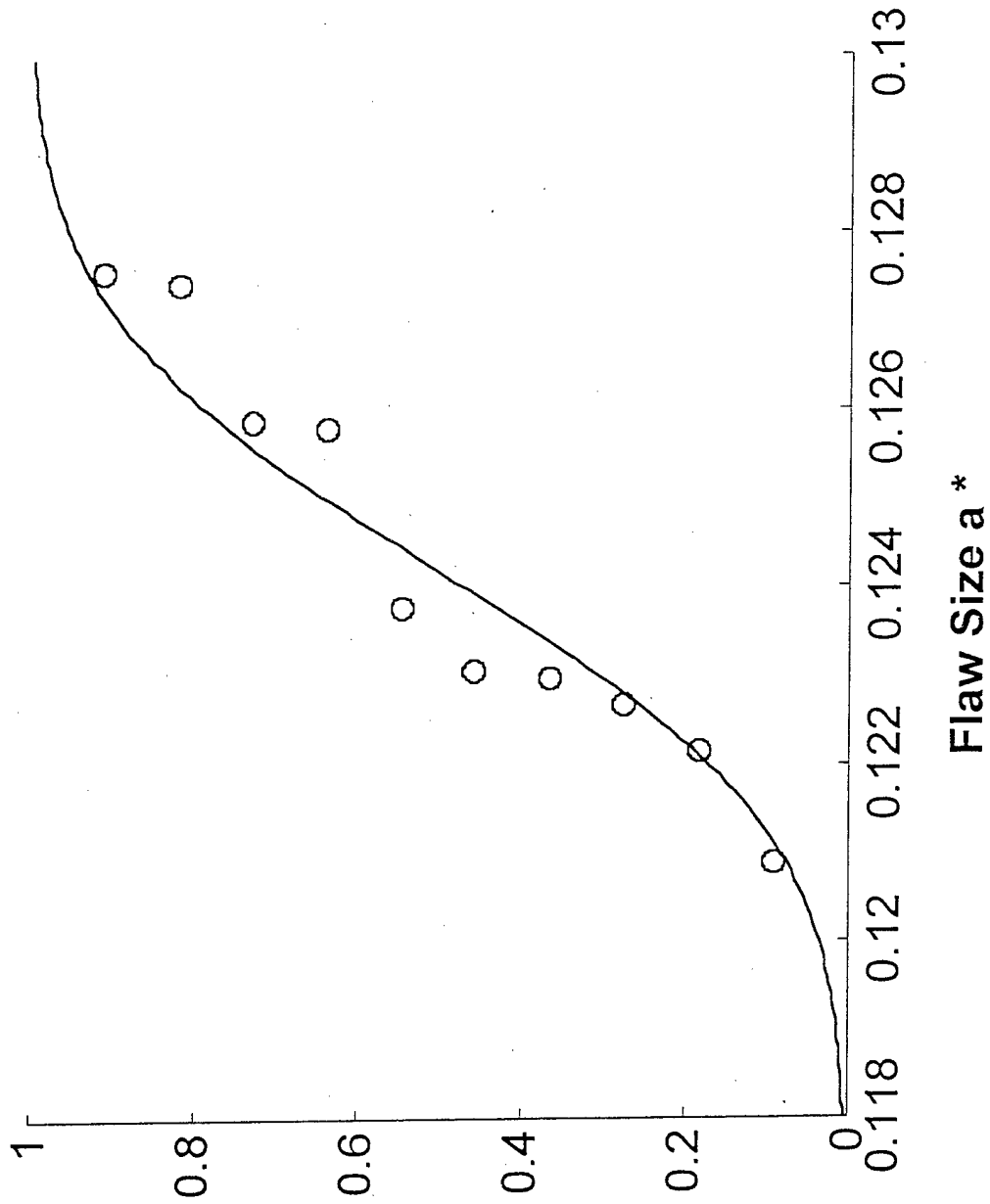
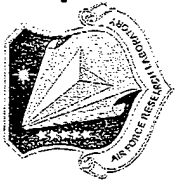


Specimen	$a_c$	$t_c(\text{sec})$	$a^*$	$t^*(\text{sec})$	$a_0$
Specimen 1	0.13691	1.39630	0.12298	0.77889	0.12192
Specimen 2	0.13782	1.42730	0.12268	0.76981	0.12158
Specimen 3	0.14140	1.52430	0.12744	0.90516	0.12641
Specimen 4	0.14225	1.45830	0.12760	0.81887	0.12651
Specimen 5	0.13629	1.43770	0.12089	0.76950	0.11979
Specimen 6	0.13644	1.40720	0.12216	0.77942	0.12109
Specimen 7	0.13812	1.38830	0.12379	0.76062	0.12271
Specimen 8	0.13994	1.37600	0.12581	0.75726	0.12472
Specimen 9	0.14072	1.43480	0.12589	0.79079	0.12480
Specimen 10	0.13765	1.44890	0.12307	0.80817	0.12199



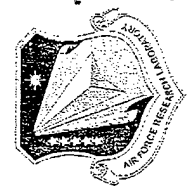
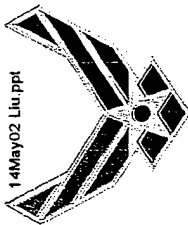
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# Normal Distribution Plot for a \*

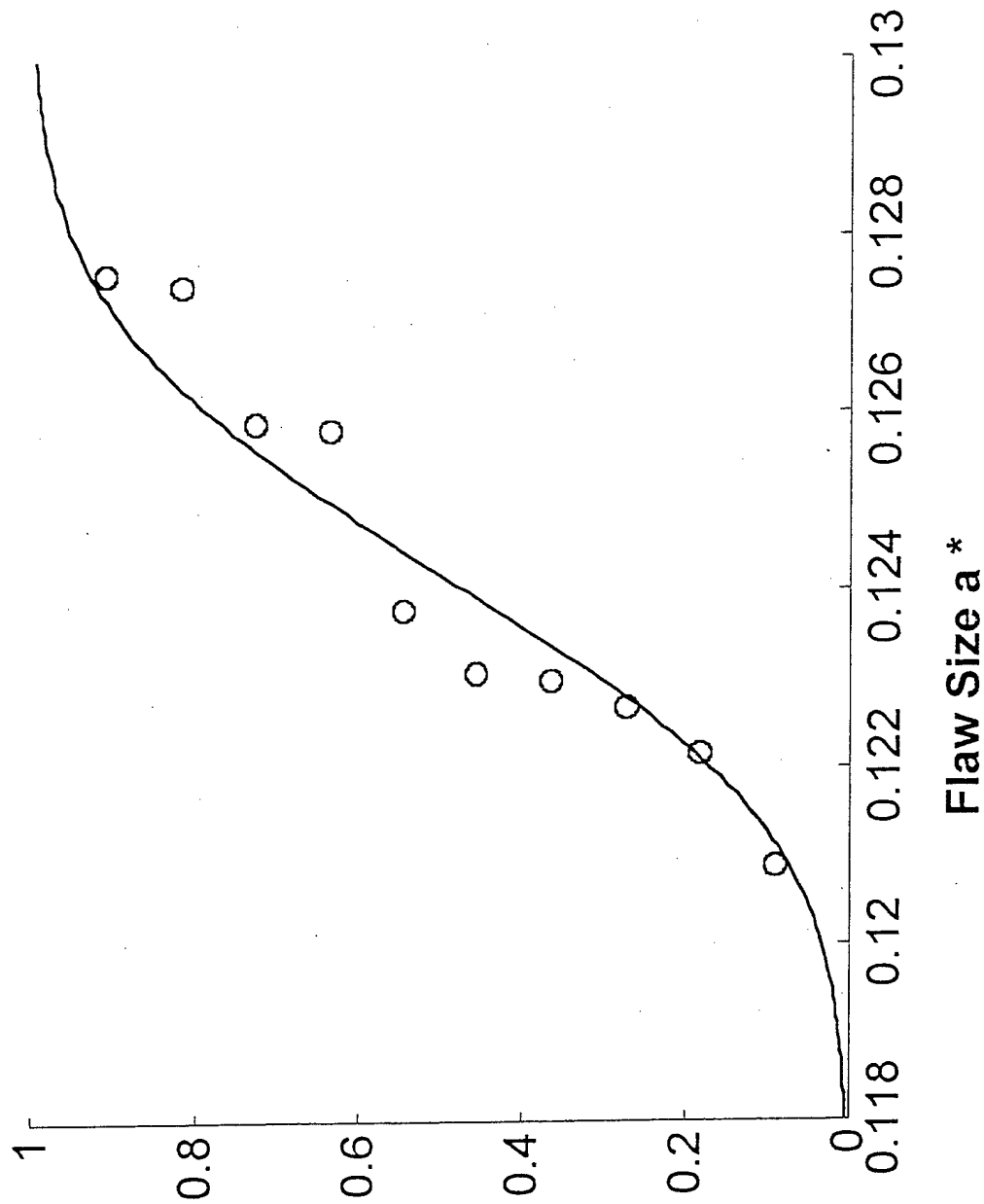


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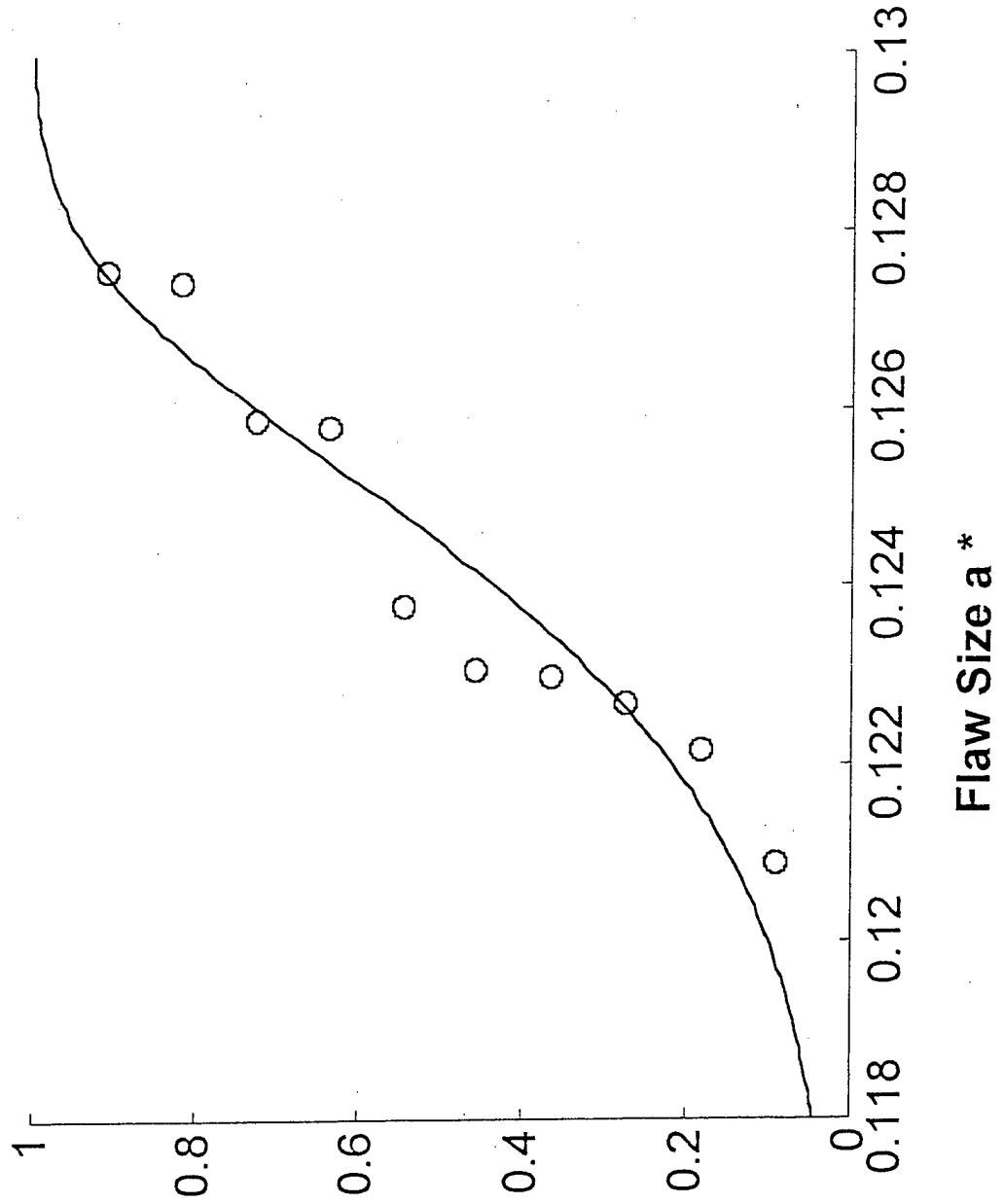
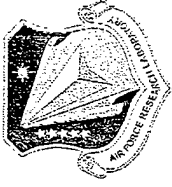
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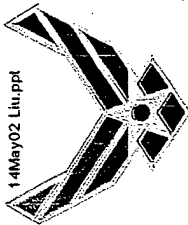


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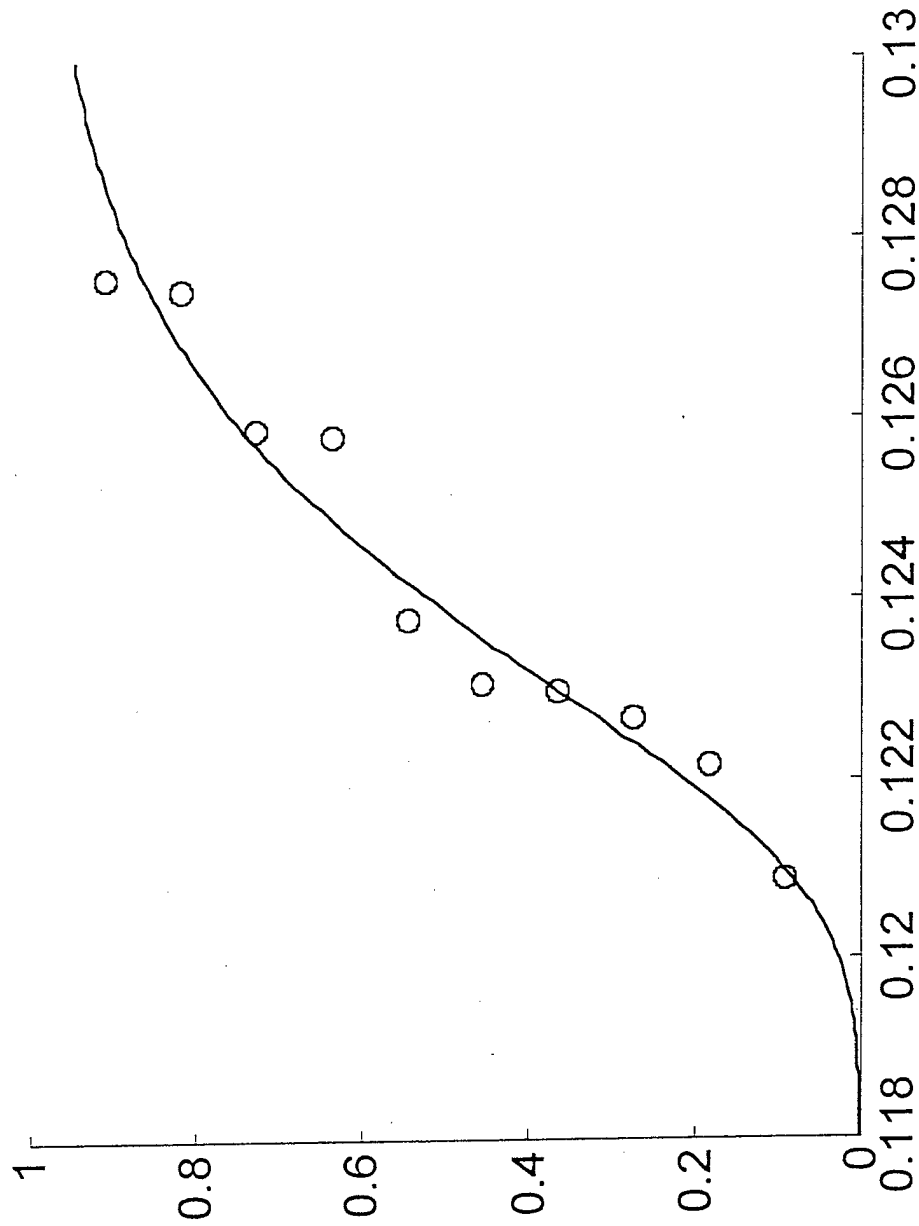
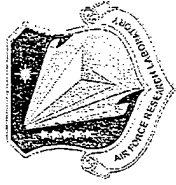


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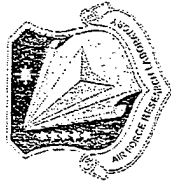


# Second Asymptotic Distribution of Maximum Value Plot for $a^*$

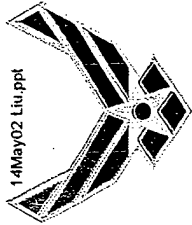


Crack Size  $a^*$

# Distribution Parameters for Normal, Two-Parameter Lognormal, Two-Parameter Weibull, and Second Asymptotic Distribution of Maximum Value ( Ambient Pressure)



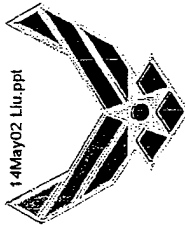
	$a_c$	$a^*$	$a_0$
$\mu$	0.15750	0.14735	0.14597
$\sigma$	0.00290	0.00296	0.00290
$\mu^*$	-1.84847	-1.91517	-1.92456
$\sigma^*$	0.01842	0.02008	0.01989
$\alpha$	53.6601	49.5994	50.0668
$\beta$	0.1590	0.1488	0.1474
$\kappa$	51.3708	47.7906	48.4144
$\nu$	0.1559	0.1458	0.1444



# Distribution Parameters for Normal, Two-Parameter Lognormal, Two-Parameter Weibull, and Second Asymptotic Distribution of Maximum Value (1000 psi Pressure)

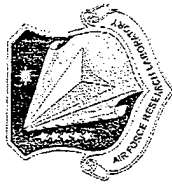


	$a_c$	$a^*$	$a_0$
$\mu$	0.13875	0.12423	0.12315
$\sigma$	0.00216	0.00231	0.00231
$\mu^*$	-1.97517	-2.08578	-2.09451
$\sigma^*$	0.01553	0.01856	0.01878
$\alpha$	60.3527	51.4485	50.8397
$\beta$	0.1399	0.1254	0.1243
$\kappa$	63.2361	52.4640	51.8168
$\nu$	0.1377	0.1230	0.1220

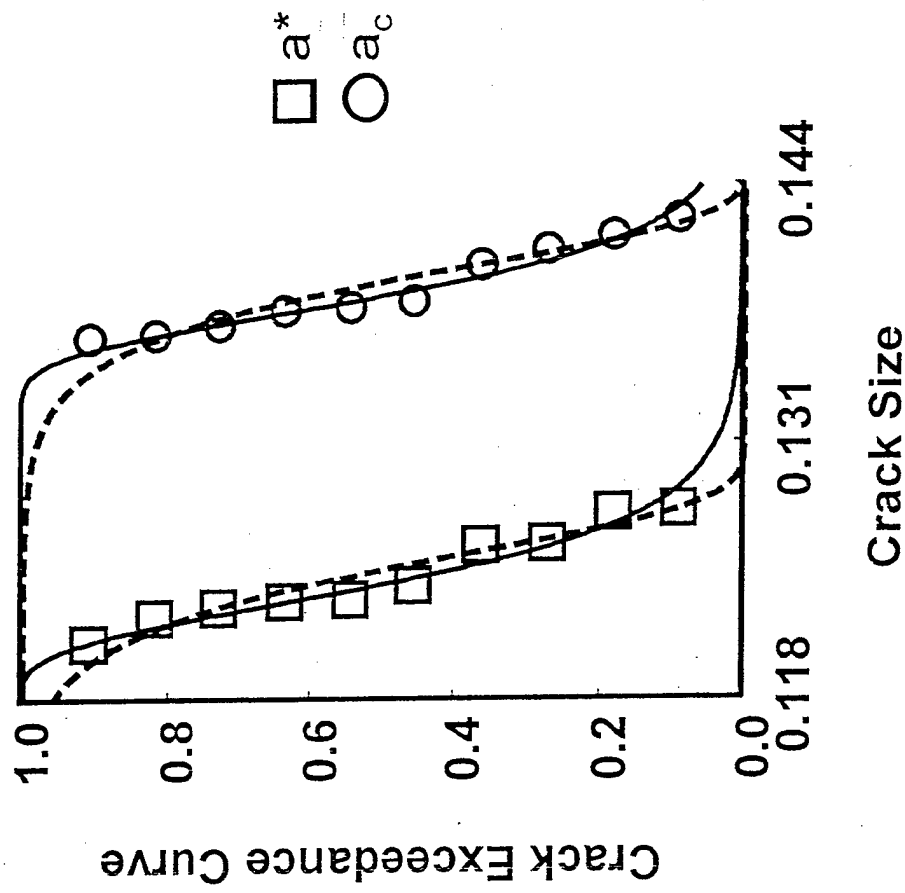


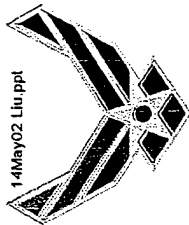
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# Crack Exceedance Curves for Equivalent Initial Crack Size and Critical Crack Size ( Strain Rate 18.18 min<sup>-1</sup>; 1000 psi Pressure);



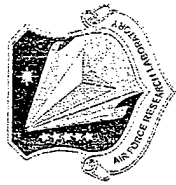
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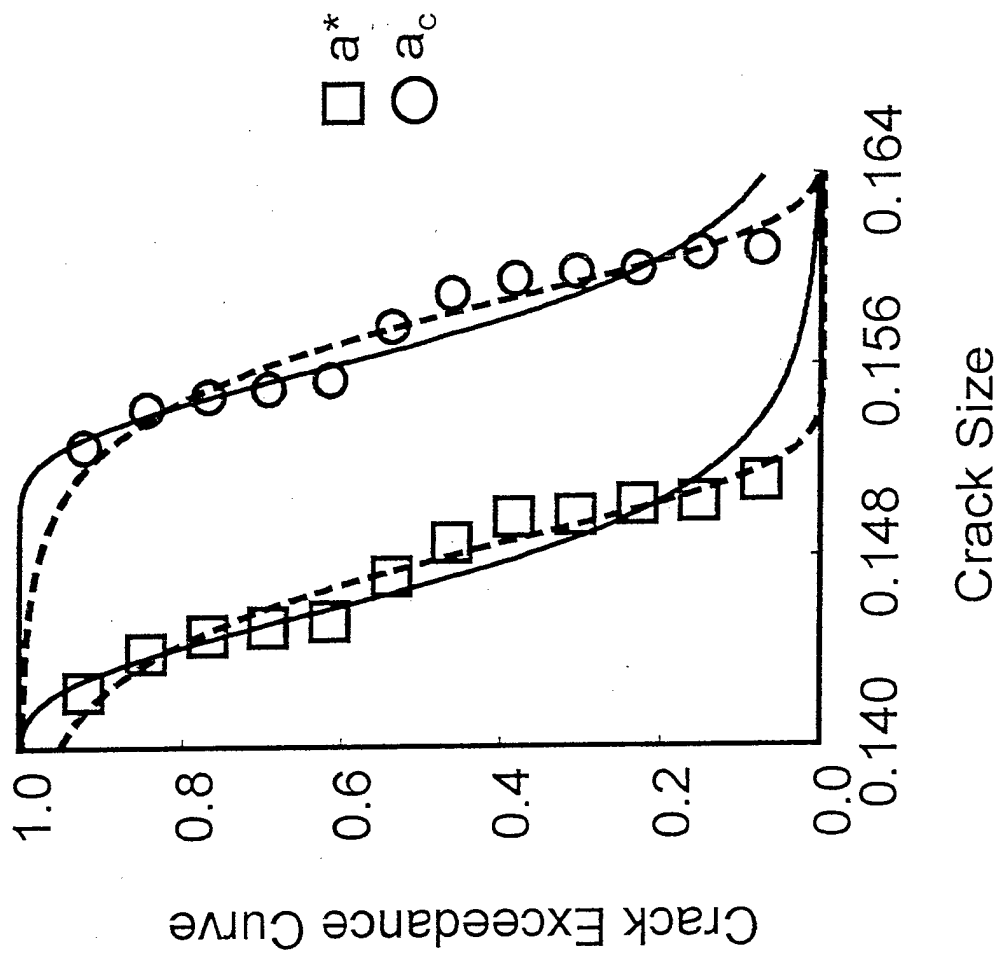


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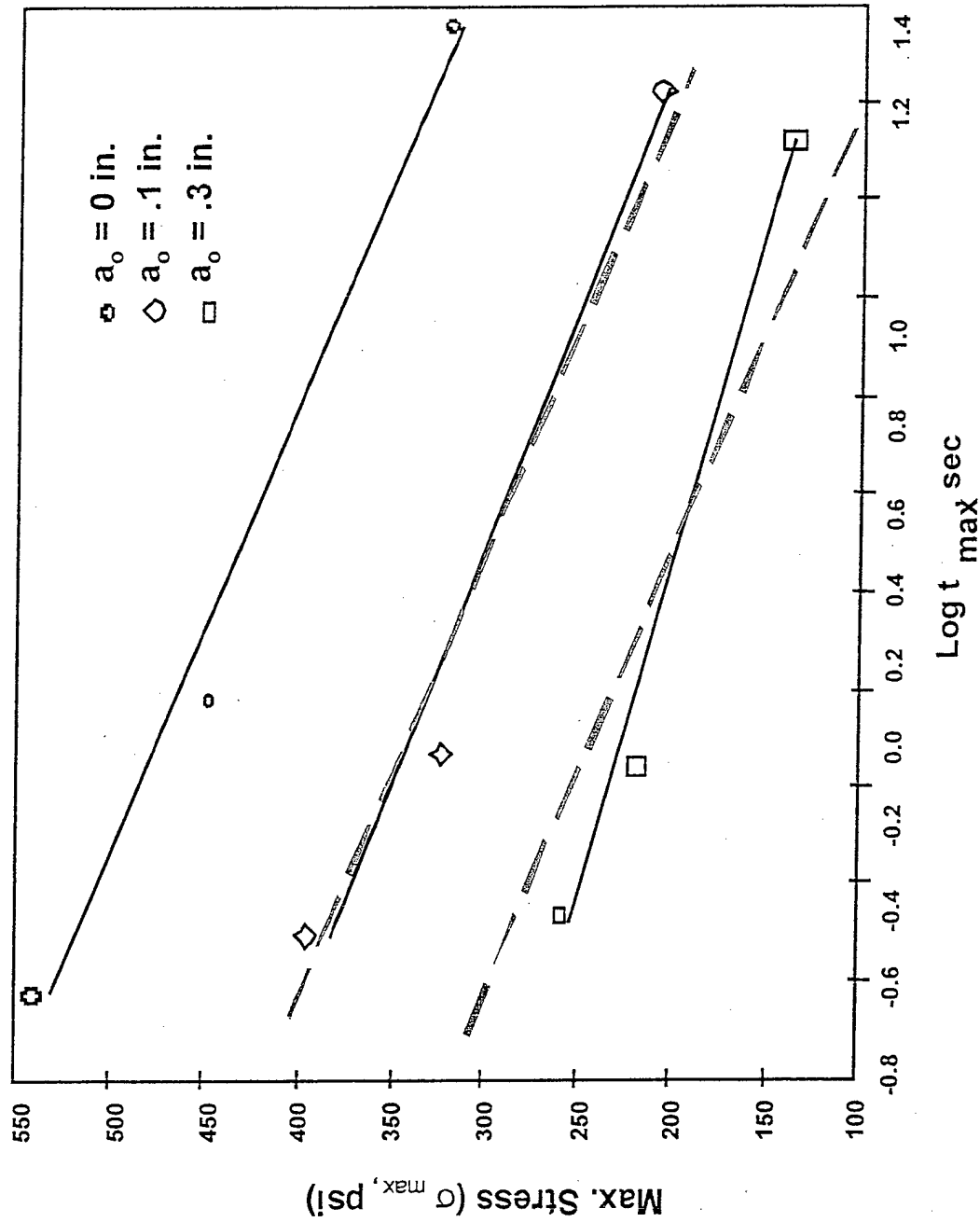


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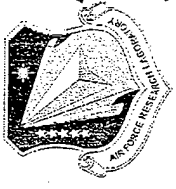
# Maximum Stress Versus Maximum Time







# Conclusions



1. For the material investigated, confined pressure has no significant effect on the equivalent initial crack size.
2. The predicted equivalent initial crack size compares well with experimental value.
3. The predicted equivalent initial crack size follows the second asymptotic distribution of maximum value.